tions were given at these major cities upto 30.9.88 besides other places in Madhya Pradesh:

(i) Indore-950 (ii) Jabalpur-180 (iii) Raipur-51 (iv) Gwalior-90 (v) Bhopal-46.

(II) For release of further new telephone connections at these places, plans for expanding the existing exchange capacities are as follows:—

| Station | Type of Equipment | Expansion during 1988-89 (lines) | Expansion during 1989-90 (Lines) |
|---|---|---|---|
| (i) Indore | E-10 B | .. | 10,000 |
| (ii) Jabalpur | X-Bar | 500 | .. |
| (iii) Gwalior | X-Bar | .. | 6,000 |
| (iv) Bhopal | E-10 B | 4,000 | 4,000 |
| (v) Raipur | E-10 B | .. | 6,000 |
| (vi) Raipur | Strowger | 300 | .. |

**Crisis in the ITI Palghat**

2094. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the "Indian Express" of 6th November, 1988 wherein it has been stated that Palghat Unit of public sector Indian Telephone Industries is in doldrums following the recent decision to locate the production of digital electronic integrated local and trunk exchange;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to avoid the crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) Indian Telephone Industries has no plans to re-locate the production of digital electronic integrated local and trunk exchanges from Palghat and will continue to manufacture these exchanges to the capacity foreseen in the project.

**Public call offices in the rural areas**

2095. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state the State-wise number of local and long distance public call offices to be installed in the rural areas during the remaining period of Seventh Plan so as to provide adequate telecommunication facilities in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): Details of the targets for opening LDPTs in the rural areas statewise is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below) No target for opening of local PCOs in rural areas are fixed. However, when an LDPT working in a rural area is converted into an exchange, LDPT working there is generally converted into a local PCO.

**Statement**

| Circle/State | Target for 1988-90 |
|---|---|
| Andhra Pradesh | 31 |
| Assam | 150 |
| Bihar | 600 |
| Gujarat | 280 |
| Haryana | 160 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 120 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 140 |
| Karnataka | 340 |
| Kerala | 11 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 740 |
| Maharashtra | 670 |
| *North East :* | |
| Arunachal Pradesh | 20 |

| Circle/State | Tayget for 1988-90 |
|---|---|
| Manipur | 60 |
| Meghalaya | 60 |
| Mizoram | 40 |
| Nagaland | 60 |
| Tripura | 10 |
| Orissa | 360 |
| Punjab | 161 |
| Rajasthan | 728 |
| Tamil Nadu | 41 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 400 |
| West Bengal | 280 |
| A&N Islands | 4 |
| Sikkim | 10 |
| TOTAL | 5476 |

**संगोला (महाराष्ट्र) में एस० टी० डी० सुविधा**

**2096. श्री विश्वासराव रामराव पाटिल** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस आशय के ज्ञापन/शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई है कि संगोला और शोलापुर (महाराष्ट्र) के बीच एस.टी.डी. डायल की सुविधा उपलब्ध कराया जायें तथा संगोले से सांगली को वाया कवठेमाहनकल एस.टी.डी. द्वारा जोड़ा जाय ;

(ख) यदि हां तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) सरकार की उस पर क्या प्रतिक्रिया है और इस संबंध में निर्णय कब तक ले लिये जाने की संभावना है ?

**संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री गिरिधर गोमांगो)** (क) जी हां ।

(ख) विभाग को संगोले मे एस. टी.डी. सुविधा प्रदान करने के बारे में कोआपरेटिव स्पिनिंग यूनिट से एक प्रतिवेदन प्राप्त हुआ है ।

(ग) संसाधनों के सीमित होने के कारण जिला मुख्यालयों जैसे अनेक प्राथमिकता वाले स्थानों को भी अभी तक एस.टी.डी. सुविधा प्रदान नहीं की जा सकी है । संगोला जैसे छोटे स्टेशनों के मामलों में प्राथमिक अपेक्षाएं पूरी होने तथा पर्याप्त संसाधन उपलब्ध होने के बाद ही विचार किया जा सकेगा ।

**Categorisation of strepto-pencillin injection and Saridon Tablets**

2097. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3750 given in the Rajya Sabha on 29th August, 1988 and state;

(a) what is the MAPE allowed on Strepto-pencillin injection and Saridon tablets;

(b) whether it is a fact that Saridon falls under category-I;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not treating Paracetamol plus Ibuprofen under Category-I;

(d) whether it is a fact that there is a discrimination in categorisation of products; and

(e) if so, what are the reasons for non-adoption of a particular system of categorisation based on major and minor therepeutic ingredients?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) MAPE @ 100 per cent and 75 per cent has been allowed on Strepto-pencillin Injection and Saridon tablets, respectively.

(b) Yes, Sir.